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SUBJECT: COMBATting TERRORISM: AVLOS, AN UNDER-UTILIZED
RESOURCE

1. BACKGROUND. DURING A ROUTINE VISA INTERVIEW SEVERAL WEEKS AGO, A CLIENT VOLUNTEERED THE INFORMATION THAT SHE HAD PLAYED A PRINCIPAL ROLE IN THE 1969 KIDNAP-PING OF U.S. AMBASSADOR ELBRICK IN BRAZIL. SUBSEQUENT CHECKS SHOWED THAT THE APPLICANT WAS KNOWN BOTH TO AMEMBASSY BRASILIA AND TO THE DEPARTMENT AND WAS LISTED IN TWO PUBLICATIONS "INTELLIGENCE LIST OF MOST WANTED TERRORISTS" AND THE "SUBVERSIVE WATCHLIST 1973". YET, THERE WAS NO RECORD OF THE CLIENT IN AVLOS (OR THE MICRO-FICHE). FURTHER, THE TWO ABOVE CITED PUBLICATIONS ARE UNAVAILABLE TO THE VISA SECTION AND NO COPY CAN BE LOCATED ANYWHERE AT THIS POST, WHICH, TO SAY THE LEAST, LIMITS THEIR USEFULNESS AS A TOOL TO STOP TERRORISTS FROM ENTERING THE U.S.

2. SIMILARLY, THE GERMAN POLICE HAVE RECENTLY LAUNCHED WHAT IS REPUTEDLY THE MOST EXTENSIVE MANHUNT IN HISTORY TO LOCATE THE SIXTEEN MOST DANGEROUS MEMBERS OF THE "BAADER/MEINHOF GANG". WE HAVE CHECKED SEVERAL OF THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS GROUP KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN IN
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FRANCE WITHIN THE LAST THREE WEEKS. THEY ARE NOT LISTED IN THE AVLOS.

3. WE REALIZE THAT THERE IS A DANGER IN LOADING THE LOOKOUT SYSTEM WITH LISTS OF ALLEGED TERRORISTS OR CRIMINALS AND WOULD NOT SUGGEST THAT POSTS ON THEIR OWN INITIATIVE BEGIN CULLING THE NEWSPAPERS FOR NAMES OF

PERSONS WANTED BY THE LOCAL POLICE. HOWEVER, WE WOULD
SUGGEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO EXAMINE HOW THE
NAMES OF TERRORISTS ARE (OR ARE NOT) PUT INTO THE AVLOS/
MICROFICHE SYSTEM. UNLESS THEY ARE SOMEHOW INCLUDED,
THERE IS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THEY WOULD EASILY BE
IDENTIFIED DURING THE CURSORY EXAMINATION ACCORDED MOST
UPPER MIDDLE CLASS APPLICANTS.
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